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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:)
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Hubert METZNER et al.) Group Art Unit: 1654
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Application No.: 09/809,021) Examiner: Michael V. Meller
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Filed: March 16, 2001)
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For: THROMBIN PREPARATIONS)
AND PROCESS FOR THEIR)
PRODUCTION)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Applicants hereby reply to the Office Action mailed May 6, 2003. This reply is accompanied by a Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time and fee payment to extend the period for response to Monday, September 8, 2003 (as September 6, 2003, falls on a Saturday).

A **Listing of the Claims** is presented in this paper, however no amendments are made to the claims. No other amendments are presented herein.

Remarks/Arguments follow the Listing of the Claims.

Attachments include Exhibits A-C.

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